

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 950

By Halford

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Thomas Adams upon his top ten ranking in the 2010 graduating class at Peabody High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Adams is one such exceptional student who recently graduated in the Top Ten of the 2010 senior class at Peabody High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Thomas Adams has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Thomas has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average, while participating in a number of clubs and organizations, including the Beta Club, Science Club, Pep Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), Junior Rotary, Tennis Team, and Spanish Club; and

WHEREAS, a gifted musician, Mr. Adams served as the clarinet section leader and band captain with the Peabody High School Band; he also participated in Pep Band and the Solo Ensemble Festival and attended All-West and University of Tennessee at Martin Honor Bands multiple times; and

WHEREAS, a true leader among his peers, Thomas Adams was selected to participate in the Gibson County Youth Leadership Program, American Legion Tennessee Boys State, and Tennessee Governor's School for Engineering; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adams expresses his devout Christian faith as an active member of the First Baptist Church in Trenton; and

WHEREAS, known for his sportsmanlike conduct both on and off the court, Thomas Adams received Rookie of the Year, Top Boys Singles, Top Boys Doubles, Will to Win, and the Ace Awards for tennis; Thomas was named to the All-District Team, and he and his partner won the District Championship in Doubles; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his outstanding accomplishments, Mr. Adams received the American Legion Citizenship Award, was named Outstanding Senior by his teachers, and voted “Best All Around” by his classmates; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Thomas Adams tutors middle school students after school; and

WHEREAS, Thomas’s display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Randy and Ginger Adams, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Adams’s dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that Thomas Adams, 2010 Peabody High School Top Ten graduate, who ranked sixth in his class, be commended and honored on his impressive academic achievement. We extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.